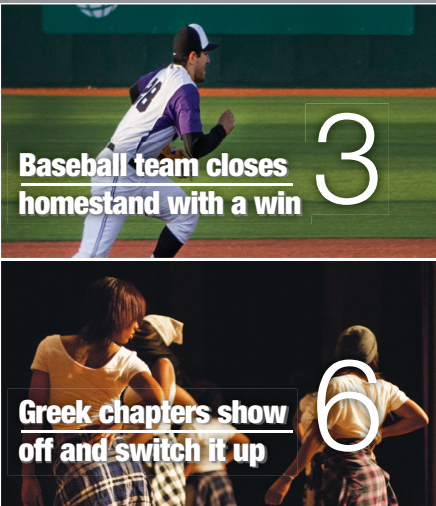




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Higher education cuts could cost K-State

Andy Rao
editor-in-chief

In light of the recent funding cuts passed by the state House of Representatives and Senate, K-State, along with five other major universities in Kansas, face a budget reduction that could severely affect institutions' abilities to provide existing programs and services to students.

The House bill called for a 4 percent cut to overall university funding, which would reduce K-State's state aid by \$6.6 million, while the Senate bill called for a 2 percent across-the-board spending cut, totaling \$25 million in reduced university spending.

Sue Peterson, K-State's director of governmental relations, said that the cuts are still in the works and details

will continue to be hammered out between the two legislative bodies.

"Right now the House and Senate are in the midst of a conference process that would help figure out the details between the two bills and pass one uniform bill," Peterson said. "They will be meeting the rest of this week and the week after that, but if it is not completed by then, it could be tabled until May 8, so we may not even see what happens with this until school is out."

The funding cuts are largely a direct result of Gov. Sam Brownback's initiative to lower income taxes. State tax rates for the highest earners were cut from 6.45 percent to 4.9 percent, in an effort to provide economic stimulus and spending power for more families.

Chase Downing, western region vice chairperson of the State Federation of College Republicans and sophomore in marketing, said that although the cuts in university funding are unfortunate, they are necessary in times of economic struggle.

"These cuts are going to affect students. There's no doubt about that," Downing said. "But if we are going to reach anything near a balanced budget, we have to reduce spending and tighten our belts."

Of the \$800 million budget that was set for K-State's 2013 fiscal year, \$160 million was provided by state funding, accounting for 20 percent of total funding.

Institution	Cuts in millions
Kansas State University	\$6.60
Community/Tech Colleges	\$6.03
University of Kansas	\$5.48
KU School of Medicine	\$4.24
Wichita State University	\$2.81
Pittsburg State University	\$1.40
Fort Hays State University	\$1.34
Emporia State University	\$1.25
Total	\$29.2

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Budget reductions could lead to tuition increase

Austin Nichols
news editor

The House Appropriations Committee recently approved a 4 percent reduction in higher education funding in the state of Kansas, and the Senate committee agreed upon a 2 percent reduction across the board. The two have come together to decide how much funding the state will cut from higher education. Talks between the two bodies began Tuesday and are expected to go on through the next two weeks. The decision will then be tabled until a later date, most likely some time in early May.

Sydney Carlin, state representative for the 66 district, said she expects the final decision to fall somewhere between 2 and 4 percent. The funding cuts apply to all state-funded higher education institutions in Kansas.

"Given the two proposals we've seen, it's challenging times for higher education," said Tim Caboni, vice chancellor for public affairs at the University of Kansas. "It's challenging times for the state. What we know is that at the University of Kansas the per-student appropriation, controlling for inflation, is down 40 percent since 1999."

Caboni said state funding totals \$150 million less than

it did a generation ago. He added that at some point this begins to affect the core missions of institutions of higher education.

"At some point there is no fat left to cut and we are very much there," Caboni said.

Regardless of what the cut ends up being, Caboni said the end result will put pressure on institutions of higher education. There are only so many streams of revenue for the universities.

"We've been cutting, we've been becoming more efficient," Caboni said. "We're going to have to look at every option that's out there for thinking about how it is that we make up the full budget of the university."

The reduction in funding from the state will likely lead to either an increase in tuition or cuts in various programs throughout universities in the state of Kansas.

Nate Spriggs, student body president and senior in agricultural economics, said that if the cuts do take place he hopes that K-State can keep the increase in tuition gradual and avoid spikes.

"As I consider different proposals it's always important that we balance the needs of the university with

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Emily DeShazer | Collegian

Cash donations for the Beach Museum of Art sit in a container near the entrance on Tuesday. If proposed budget cuts are approved, K-State could potentially lose \$6.6 million in state funding, the highest of any university in Kansas. These cuts could affect programs like the Beach Museum, which receives some state funds in addition to private donations.

Students have strong views on both sides of same-sex marriage case

Ian Huyett
staff writer

Less than 13 years after President George W. Bush called for a constitutional amendment to prohibit same-sex marriage, this controversial issue may finally be coming to a head in the nation's capital.

On Tuesday, hundreds of protestors and spectators crowded the steps of the Supreme Court Building, where the nine federal justices might soon make a decision with nation-wide consequences.

"This is an issue that's really going to affect our generation," said Colin Huerter, junior in political science and international studies.

A CBS article published on Tuesday reported that there are five possible outcomes of today's case. The court may require that

all states recognize same-sex marriage, declare that same-sex marriage is not constitutionally protected, tell states not to distinguish between civil unions and marriages, tell only California to recognize same-sex marriage or dismiss the case.

At K-State, students on both sides of the issue have passionate opinions.

"I'm a firm believer in marriage equality," Huerter said. "It's an area where people have a chance to get involved with their government and make a difference. Even though I'm not directly affected by this, it's critical for people like me to be involved."

Huerter is an outspoken advocate of LGBT rights.

"Simply tolerating someone isn't embracing them," he said. "We should move away from the idea that the LGBT community needs to be 'tolerated' and start

embracing."

Rhett Jones, senior in hospitality management, is also a supporter of the LGBT community.

"To me it is important because, at some point, I would like to be able to be married to a man that I am in love with" Jones said. "I haven't met him yet, but being able to marry him when I do find the one. I feel like it is the role of the government to protect marriage and uphold it, but not their right to say who we can and can not marry."

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photo illustration by Hannah Hunsinger

The Human Rights Campaign symbol turned red and hit Facebook on Tuesday as thousands of users changed their profile picture to support same-sex marriage. K-State students are divided on the issue, which is before the Supreme Court.



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THE BLOTTER

ARREST REPORTS

Monday, March 25

Orion Leigh Alexander, of the 6000 block of Cardinal Road, was booked for unlawful possession of hallucinogens and driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Jason Thomas Fisher, of Topeka, was booked for probation violation. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Ngunza Mwenge Kisangani, of the 1700 block of Kenmar Drive, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Tawnee Gorman, of the 2000 block of Judson Street, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$500.

Samuel Ross Lowe, of the 800 block of Laramie Street, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

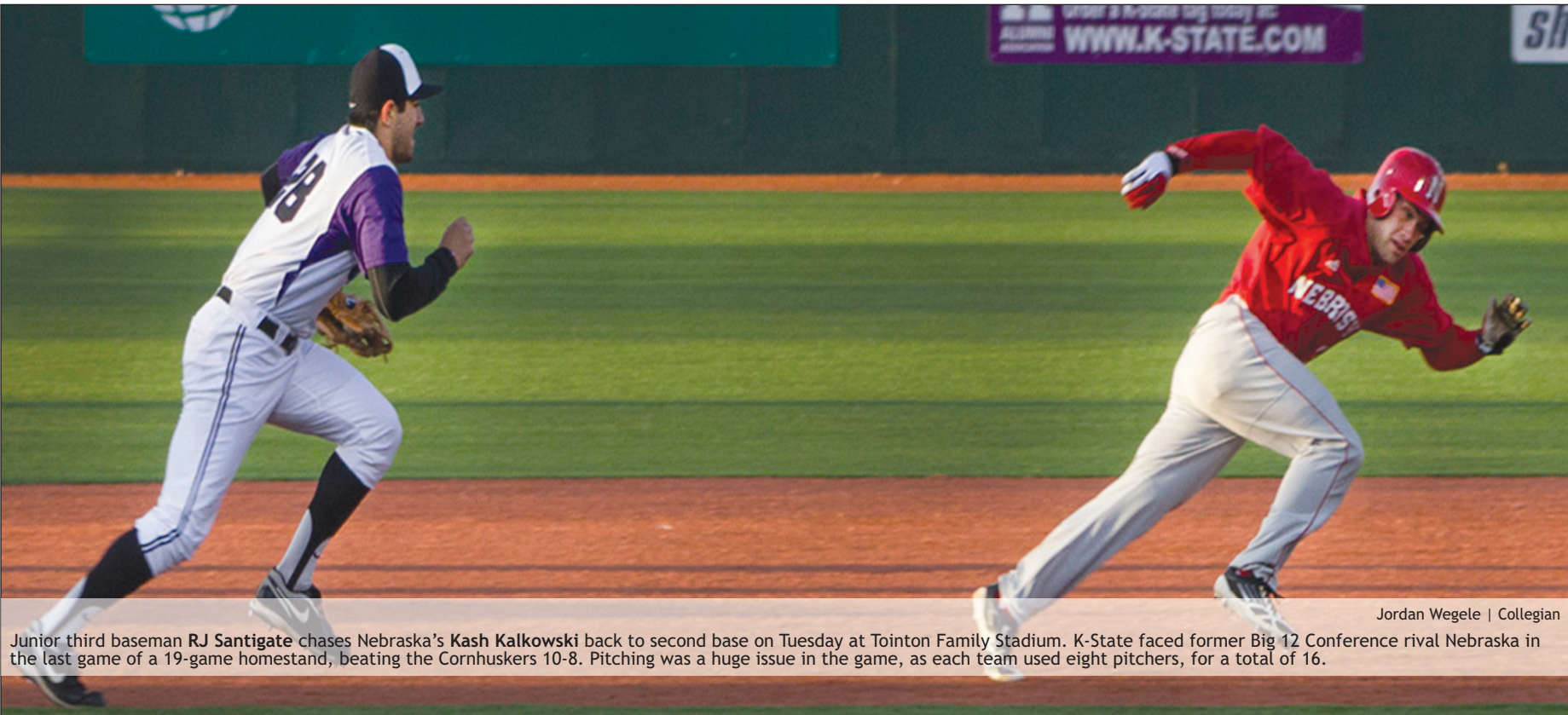
Tuesday, March 26

Sara Rene Holcomb, of the 500 block of Haven-ton Court, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

compiled by Katie Goerl

BASEBALL

10-8 win against Nebraska ends 19-game homestand



Junior third baseman RJ Santigate chases Nebraska's Kash Kalkowski back to second base on Tuesday at Tointon Family Stadium. K-State faced former Big 12 Conference rival Nebraska in the last game of a 19-game homestand, beating the Cornhuskers 10-8. Pitching was a huge issue in the game, as each team used eight pitchers, for a total of 16.

Sean Frye
staff writer

It wasn't the prettiest game this year, but the Wildcats won on Tuesday night, beating the Nebraska Cornhuskers 10-8. The win against their former Big 12 Conference rival marks the end of the Wildcats' 19-game homestand that spanned 24 days. The Wildcats, who are now 17-8 on the season, went 14-5 during the course of the homestand. "We're pretty pleased [about the homestand]," said K-State head coach Brad Hill. "We're just ready to get some better weather. Fortunately our guys have done a pretty good job of gutting through it and being tough."

Ross Kivett was the star for the Wildcats on Tuesday. He totaled five RBIs on three hits throughout the night, and proved pivotal in a game that the Wildcats struggled to gain control of. "I think I've had a similar approach and it's been working," Kivett said. "Most of the credit goes to [Kyle] Speer and the guys that hit in front of him, because they were setting up some innings. It's my job to knock them down, and tonight they fell." Pitching didn't come easy for either team on Tuesday. The Wildcats and the Cornhuskers used a combined 16 pitchers in the game, with each team using eight guys. Jake Doller, Blake McFadden, Hayden Nixon, Levi MaVorhis, Landon Busch,

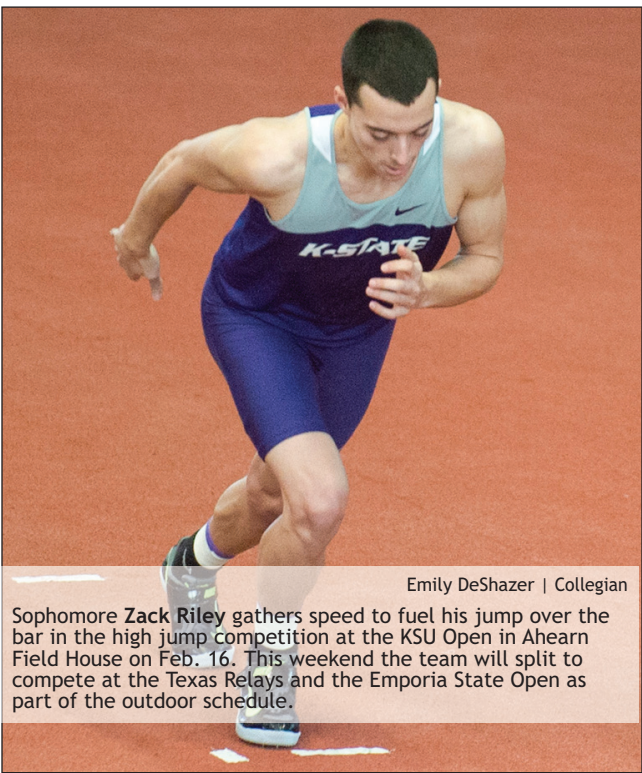
Jake Matthys, Jared Moore and Tanner Witt all made appearances for the Wildcats. MaVorhis was credited with the win. "We had a tough night pitching," Hill said. "Nobody was very sharp tonight to be honest. It's just a tough night pitching wise on both sides. Both sides gave up a lot of walks." Hill added, "It was not what we want to do, not how you draw it up, but again it's just how it was tonight. We have a quick turnaround, so we had to get guys out of there because we have to get ready for a Big 12 weekend." Cold temperatures were also a factor in the game. Having snowed just a few days earlier, temperatures reached as low as 36 degrees as the game progressed into the night.

"I don't even know how it's going to feel to play above 50 [degrees]," Kivett said. "You'd hate to sit out here for three hours in the blistering cold and lose." For the Cornhuskers, right fielder Austin Darby led the way at the plate. He accounted for a three-run home run and a double. "We had some bad mistakes [with Darby]," Hill said. The turning point in the game came in the bottom of the fifth inning for the Wildcats. After allowing three runs in the top of the fifth, the Wildcats tied the game at 5-5 in the bottom of the inning. K-State pitcher MaVorhis then shut the Cornhuskers down in

the top of the sixth inning. In the bottom of the sixth the Wildcats added three more runs to take an 8-5 lead. "Coming back and tying the score up really kind of swung it our way," Hill said. "And then Levi came in and gave us just enough to keep momentum on our side." Next up on the Wildcats' schedule is the Baylor Bears, which will be the Wildcats' second Big 12 series this year. The Wildcats won an earlier series against West Virginia 2-1. The Wildcats travel to Waco, Texas, for the games, which start on Thursday at 6:35 p.m. "We haven't won many games there, maybe two since I've been here," Hill said. "So it's going to be a pretty big challenge."

TRACK

Wildcats off to fast start in outdoor season



Sophomore Zack Riley gathers speed to fuel his jump over the bar in the high jump competition at the KSU Open in Ahearn Field House on Feb. 16. This weekend the team will split to compete at the Texas Relays and the Emporia State Open as part of the outdoor schedule.

Adam Suderman
staff writer

After a successful close to the indoor season in which the K-State track and field team sent five athletes to the NCAA Indoor Championships, the Wildcats are off to a fast start in the outdoor portion of their schedule.

The closing meet took place March 22-23 and included teams from across the country. The throwing, sprinting and distance events have highlighted the early outdoor slate with impressive performances across the board. Sara Savatovic opened the second half of the season with a record-breaking performance in the women's hammer throw. The freshman, who is the Serbian national record holder, threw 193-09, which earned her the fifth best throw in school history. The women's team has also had success with relays, including the 4x100 meter relay in Tempe, Ariz., on March 17. Seniors Samantha McKnight and Richelle Farley, along with freshmen Ashley Williams and Jasmine Gibbs, finished third with a time of 44.98 seconds, giving the group the sixth best time in school history. The same women's 4x100 meter relay team raced once again on March 23 and came away with a victory in 45.51 seconds. Savatovic followed her previous week's performance with a throw of 198-05 and moved up one more spot in the school rankings. On the men's side, junior Carlos Rodriguez is making a habit of quick starts in each portion of the schedule.

After breaking the indoor school record at the beginning of the indoor season, Rodriguez won the 200 meters on Saturday with a time of 21.29 seconds. The junior from Puerto Rico is currently ranked in four different events in the USTFCCCA individual rankings. Sophomore Fernando Roman finished first in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and finished more than three seconds ahead of the rest of the field. In the throwing events, sophomore Ivan Hartung posted a personal best in the javelin with a toss of 220-06. The throw was almost eight feet beyond the second-place mark. Heading into the upcoming weekend, the Wildcats will split their team to compete in both Austin at the Texas Relays and in Emporia, Kan., at the Emporia State Open. The Texas Relays will begin Friday at 9:30 a.m., and the Emporia meet will take place on Saturday, beginning at noon.

WOMEN'S GOLF

K-State finishes in 11th at two-day meet

David Embers
staff writer

The K-State women's golf team traveled to South Carolina to compete in the Briar's Creek Invitational on Monday and Tuesday, finishing 11th out of 18 teams and moving up the leaderboard two spots on the final day. With a final round score of 302, the Wildcats posted a 14-over par. The team improved its score every day of the tournament, posting a total event score of 935. Individually, the Wildcats were again led by sophomore Olivia Eliasson. She posted a 12-over par with a total event

score of 228 and finished in a tie for 13th. Next up was senior Whitney Pyle, who finished out the tournament with a 2-over par 74, and finished in a tie for 40th. Junior Gianna Misenhelter finished 57th, shooting a 54-hole score of 23-over par. Sophomore Carly Ragains and senior Hanna Roos rounded out the K-State scores, carding total round scores of 241 and 244, respectively. Notre Dame won the tournament with a total tournament score of 906. The Wildcats will be back in action on April 4 as they travel to Dallas for the SMU/DAC Invitational.

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Film offers unique new perspective on classic story

Oz The Great and Powerful
★★★★☆
Movie review by Karen Sarita Ingram

While “Oz the Great and Powerful” is billed as a prequel to the 1939 classic film “The Wonderful Wizard of Oz,” I do not believe that is an entirely accurate description. “Oz the Great and Powerful,” which I’ll just refer to as “Oz” from here on, references both the 1939 MGM film and the novels by L. Frank Baum, creating a unique hybrid story that was entertaining and engaging.

“Oz” follows the story of Oscar Diggs (James Franco) a magician in a traveling circus in Kansas who longs for greatness. Oscar is a ladies’ man and a bit of a conman. He seems to have a conscience, but he does not believe that he has a good heart deep down, and so he chooses to seek greatness (as in fame) instead of goodness.

This conflict of his character is tested when he is whisked away to the magical land of Oz via — what else? — a tornado. The inhabitants of Oz believe Oscar to be a wizard sent to save them from the Wicked Witch. Oscar doesn’t fancy the idea of doing battle with a witch, but he goes along with it because there is a huge pile of gold in it for him — if he survives.

This movie heavily references the 1939 film, both in mythology and in style. The film starts in



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black and white while Oscar is in Kansas and switches to color when he voyages to Oz. Many of the characters in Oz resemble people that Oscar knew from Kansas, such as Glinda, played by Michelle Williams, who also plays Oscar’s sweetheart, Annie, in Kansas. This, in my opinion, adds to the dreamlike quality of the

movie — you’re never quite sure if this mysterious world is real, imagined or magical.

There are references to the series of novels as well, but they tend to be more subtle, such as Oscar’s last name, Diggs, and other Oz races, like the Quaddlings, Tinkers and the people of Dainty China Country.

Finally, there are some things that are just flat-out different. The evil flying monkeys from the 1939 film have become flying baboons. There is a flying monkey, but he’s one of the good guys and he talks. Thanks to the 1939 film, I am used to thinking of flying monkeys as evil, and I kept waiting for Finley the Flying Monkey (Zach Braff) to

betray Oscar in some way.

There are some truly sad parts in this film, particularly involving the little China Girl (Joey King) and the story of how the Wicked Witch of the West came to be. I can’t get into specifics without dropping spoilers, so let’s just say the story of the origin of the Wicked Witch is sad but dissatisfying.

The psychological aspect of “Oz” is probably my favorite motif throughout the film. Many of the characters and situations represent different aspects of Oscar, so it’s sort of like voyaging into his psyche — again, much like the 1939 film. There is a lot of delving into cause and effect and examinations of how decisions we make can affect others, particularly if the choices made were for selfish reasons. Finally, the question that confronts several of the characters — not just Oscar — throughout the film is, “should you strive to be good or great?”

I give “Oz the Great and Powerful” 4 out of 5 stars. I struggled when trying to rate it, and almost gave it 3.5 stars. While it has a lot of depth and room for discussion, I felt that there was a lot more it could have delved into. On the other hand, while I found several flaws with the film, I didn’t think any of them were deal-breakers. The two questions that made me bump it up to four stars were: Is the film entertaining? Yes. Would I recommend it to others? Yes.

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Chapters perform routines, collect canned goods at annual Greek Switch Day

Jakki Thompson
staff writer

As Forum Hall filled up, greek chapter members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council took the stage to perform routines dressed as members of other greek chapters in the NPHC’s Freshman Action Team’s annual Greek Switch Day Tuesday night.

“It was a really funny show,” said Valencia Garcia, junior in political science. “It was just a good show that is always meant to be light-hearted. My friend had told me to come out, and it was a nice break from studying.”

Many NPHC greek chapters performed other chapters’ routines for the audience’s entertainment. The Kappa Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity switched with the Eta Gamma chapter of Delta Sigma Theta sorority, and the Delta chapter of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity switched with the Epsilon Mu chapter of Zeta Phi Beta sorority. The Delta Delta chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity switched with the Kappa Pi chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority.

The Alphas, portraying the Deltas, took first place. The or-

ganization won \$100 to donate to an organization or philanthropy of their choice.

“The intensity of this show is always fun,” said Christa Martinez, president of the Deltas and senior in social work. “I love to see greeks strive and work hard. So to see the Alphas win is a great thing.”

NPHC’s Freshman Action Team hosts this event annually for philanthropy and to help fund other projects they organize throughout the year. Audience members were encouraged to bring canned goods to qualify for a reduced admission cost. The canned goods were donated to the Flint Hills Breadbasket to help community members who need resources or food.

“This show is always about entertainment,” said LeAndre Carthen, president of NPHC’s Freshman Action Team and freshman in open option. “These groups always know how to give a great show for the audience members, as well as to raise funds for the Freshman Action Team and canned goods for the Flint Hills Breadbasket.”

The Freshman Action Team

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Students spend spring break serving others



Editor’s note: Nicole White, senior in elementary education, participated in an alternative break trip sponsored by the School of Leadership Studies last week. For more information, visit k-state.edu/leadership/programs/altbreaks.

A little over a week ago, I set out for a trip with nine fellow K-Staters to Memphis, Tenn., to enjoy our spring break by feeding the homeless and spending time with children at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. This experience is anything but the average spring break for college students. What none of us knew was that this experience would impact all of us forever.

We left Manhattan on Sunday morning and began our 9 1/2-hour car ride to Memphis. By the time we all arrived at our destination, we had already formed close friendships. On Monday morning, we began our week of service.

We started each day at the soup kitchen in St. Mary’s Church. We made



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The K-State team inside of the Memphis Grizzlies House waiting for patients to come in from their long day at the hospital. Bottom row left to right: **Becca Rente-ria**, freshman in secondary education, **Nicole White**, senior in elementary education, **Hayley Jenkins**, junior in life sciences. Top row left to right: **James Arpin**, junior in biology, **Zach Jones**, sophomore in biological systems engineering, **Jared Robl**, senior in kinesiology, **Nathan Pfeifer**, junior in nutritional sciences, and **Jon Bernard**, sophomore in biology.

food for the homeless and cleaned the pantry and kitchen. The most rewarding part of the soup kitchen was being able to feed people who came to the church to retrieve what might have been their only meal for the day. When a homeless

person was asked how their day was going, most said something like, “I am blessed and thankful that I get to live

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Spring enrollment in K-State’s school of journalism reaches record number

Logan Falletti
contributing writer

The A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications accepted 112 majors into the school for the spring of 2013, the highest number in a decade, smashing the previous record of 81 students set in 2008.

“There’s never been a better time to be a JMC [Miller School] student,” said Tom Roesler, academic adviser for the Miller School.

Roesler noted that the number of new majors has been steadily increasing over the past six semesters, with 41 in the fall of 2010. Of these 112 new majors, 23 chose advertising, 35 chose journalism and digital media and 54 opted for public relations.

“We have a lot of young people working to develop their specialty,” said Steven Smethers, associate director of undergraduate studies for the Miller School and associate professor of journalism.

Smethers said possible specializations could include business journalism, nonprofit advertising, political public relations and music and theatre critique, among others. The strength of the programs, he concluded, is in their variety.

“We have so much to offer students,” Smethers said. “It is

growing and has more options than it ever had.”

Hana Johnson, junior in public relations, said she enjoys the writing and investigative sides of her major. Johnson said she found a home in public relations after changing her career path.

“Getting a PR degree will provide me with more valuable skills in my sector after college,” Johnson said.

Louise Benjamin, interim director of the Miller School and professor of journalism, credits the rising numbers to the passion of those who teach in the school.

“I think a large part of why numbers are rising is the advisers and faculty,” Benjamin said. “With growth comes strains on facilities and number of faculty, but we see so many more opportunities for students.”

The Miller School is expanding its faculty to keep up with the rate of enrollment. New faculty members include Barbara DeSanto, assistant professor, and Debra Skidmore, instructor, and the newest administrative addition is Cassie Hall, senior administrative assistant. The department is also considering new faculty positions in journalism and digital media, as well as advertising.

The widest search is that for a permanent director, but the

list has been narrowed down to four candidates.

“It’s in the hands of the dean now,” Benjamin said.

The tentative date for the announcement of a new director is June 1.

The physical aspect of the Miller School is also growing. Studio B, a television studio in Dole Hall, was completed last summer and is used exclusively by Miller School students for filming “Wildcat Watch” and “Channel 8 News,” along with individual audio and visual projects.

A recent addition is the “Think Tank,” located on the second floor of Kedzie Hall. Once a room where Collegian photographers developed their film, the room was repurposed with a grant from Miller School alum Lucy Fitch. It is now a 24-hour computer lab and meeting space.

New classes are also being added to the school’s curriculum. This fall, interactive advertising and nontraditional advertising will be offered for the first time, and print and digital media will gain audio, visual and video editing classes as well.

Editor’s Note: This article was completed as an assignment for a class in the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

3 interior design students place first in national competition

Maria Betzold
staff writer

Three K-State students are being nationally recognized for winning the 2012-13 Interior Design Educators Council Student Design Competition. This is the third year K-State students have placed first in the annual event.

Sydney Hall, Andrea Sisk and Haoran Hu, all seniors in interior design and students in the course ID 651, “Design for Supportive Environments,” participated in the two-week competition as part of the class’s requirements. The course was taught by Migette Kaup, associate professor of interior design.

“We all worked really hard and kept each other motivated during the time crunches,” Hall said.

The competition invites students across the United States and Canada to submit a project that conforms to a specific theme. Thirty-seven programs across the U.S. and Canada submitted 101 team projects to their regional-level competitions.

The theme this year focused on higher learning education spaces.

“Because ID 651 is focused on advanced design theory and the application of evidence-based design approaches to solving complex problems for users, the IDEC competition often fits well into the learning objectives for this course,” said Kaup, who was also the team’s adviser during the competition.

Hall, Sisk and Hu were selected as one of the top three Midwest Regional finalist teams, then their project was submitted for judgment at the national level, where it earned the highest recognition.

The first step for the team when beginning the project was to prepare a research sum-

mary. When that was complete, they moved on to develop a concept for the design. The concept chosen by the winning team was “A Refreshing Education.”

After identifying the concept, team members had to plan and apply knowledge about the Americans with Disabilities Act as well as the International Building Code to create a safe environment for their higher education project. The team then selected equipment that met the standards for commercial construction, created floor plans and made the final presentation boards — all in less than two weeks.

“These were key components required to create a safe and universally accessible space fit for a college campus,” Sisk said.

Sisk said she thought the competition was a great way for students to gain experience outside of the classroom and earn recognition for their work.

After projects were submitted, they were judged locally by K-State faculty and alumni. Three projects from K-State were sent to the Midwest Regional competition where regional entries were narrowed to three submissions.

“Overall, I think we are ecstatic that we put so much of our time into this competition and that our work was recognized at the international level,” Sisk said.

Hall agreed with her teammate.

“I am incredibly ecstatic to be part of this winning team,” Hall said.

In fact, Kaup said the whole department is excited to be recognized for the achievement.

“The ID faculty team is extremely pleased to see our students once again recognized for their ability to think progressively and produce outstanding work,” Kaup said.

BREAK | K-Staters feed homeless, volunteer at St. Jude Children’s Hospital



photo courtesy of Nicole White

K-State students decorated a few bricks from previous alternative breaks that can still be seen outside of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, located in Memphis, Tenn.



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View of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., where nine K-State student volunteers organized donations and spent time with patients over spring break. The campus is just over 60 acres total.



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Approximately one-third of the boxes that the K-State team sorted through at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

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another day.”

The next task for us during our week in Memphis was to sort through dozens and dozens of boxes of donations that were sent to St. Jude Children’s Hospital. Vilma Carnahan, who oversees all non-monetary St. Jude donations, works year-round by herself to organize these gifts. She said our assistance over spring break helped her with roughly three months of work that she would have otherwise had to do all on her own.

As a group, we sorted through hundreds of toys, coloring books, hats, blankets and other items to ensure that the children received the highest-quality donations possible. The donations the hospital does not use are sent out to local communities. No donation sent to St. Jude is ever wasted.

Every evening, we went to the Memphis Grizzlies House on the St. Jude campus. This house provides patients and families who need to be at St. Jude for checkups or various appointments a place to stay for up to seven days.

The Memphis Grizzlies House changed my life forever. Members of the K-State team formed meaningful bonds

with the children and parents. Seeing the looks on the children’s faces when they walked into the house after a long day at the hospital, knowing that K-State students were there to feed them junk food and play games for several hours, was priceless. We spent hours with these children running around and just letting them get to be kids. We heard their stories. We let the parents relax for once. We created lifelong memories.

The children taught us more than we could teach them; our work at the Grizzlies House taught us all about life. Saying goodbye to the children and the parents with whom we had all formed bonds was heartbreaking. Due to the hospital’s confidentiality policy, none of us will ever know how our favorite patients are now or what they are up to. All we can do is be thankful for the short time we got to spend with them and pray that they are recovering from cancer.

I am so thankful for the opportunity K-State gave me for an alternative break. I now have gained nine amazing people as friends and memories that will never leave me, and I hope that one day all of the children and homeless people I met in Memphis are happy and healthy.

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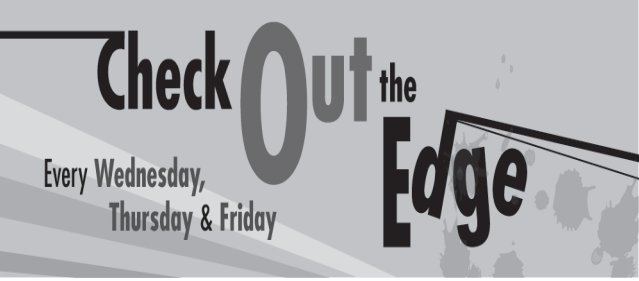
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Jones said the issue should be decided at the federal level rather than by the states.

"I am pretty excited this is finally happening at the national level, because so far it has always been just a state issue," he said. "This state having one policy and another having a different standard of rights is just not fair to the American people."

Rane Cravens, junior in political science and president of the K-State College Republicans, said he does not think the government has a role to play when it comes to people's marriages.

Cravens cautioned that we might be giving a few politicians too much power.

"The federal government should not have any powers that aren't articulated in the Constitution," he said. "If the states decide to do one thing or another, even if I personally disapprove of their decisions, I don't know that the federal government should tell them what to do."

Cravens said he would like to decentralize the marriage issue beyond even the states, eventually getting the government out of it entirely.

"Ideally, it should be between individuals and their church, mosque or synagogue. It should be between the people and the institution they choose to take their vows in," Cravens said. He added that "more and more people are starting to want the government out of their lives in all aspects, whether romantic or business."

Chase Downing, sophomore in marketing and the state regional vice chair of College Republicans, agreed with Cravens.

"Marriage should be with the church because it originated with the church," Downing said. "It's too bad that such a beautiful thing has been reduced to a document."

Downing said that this is not a debate between pro-gay and anti-gay positions, but one about the role of government. He feels that different regions should be allowed to choose the policies that are best for them.

"There's no way that the federal government should be creating any kind of regulation that would be sweeping from the west coast to the heartland, because we don't have the same values," he said. "It's silly for one law to affect that whole area in the same way."

SWITCH | Show allows chapters to learn about one another



Jasmine Taylor, senior in animal sciences and industry, grimaces along with other members of her sorority during Delta Sigma Theta's skit at Greek Switch Day on Tuesday in Forum Hall.

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asked all Divine Nine greek chapters to perform and participate in this event. Five of the nine historically African-American greek chapters participated.

"Compared to last year, this year's turn out was much larger," said Jocelyn Clemons, president of the AKAs and senior in agricultural technology management.

"The intensity of this show is always fun."

Christa Martinez
senior in social work

The stepmasters of each chapter collaborated with the other greek chapters to learn the routines, steps and strolls. Over the past month, each chapter had to learn the new movements and routines of the chapters they switched with to be able to perform at Greek Switch Day.

"It was a lot of fun to switch places with other greek chapters and learn about the other organizations," Clemons said. "We always know about our own chapters, but it's nice to be able to learn about the other NPHC greek chapters."



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1. **Jocelyn Clemons**, senior in agricultural technology management, chants dramatically during Greek Switch Day on Tuesday in Forum Hall.
 2. **Jocelyn Clemons** slides on her stomach at the end of Alpha Kappa Alpha's routine on Tuesday during the Greek Switch Day events in Forum Hall.
 3. Sporting wigs, sweaters and blouses, members of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity impersonate members of Delta Sigma Theta sorority during their step routine Tuesday night at Greek Switch Day. The Alphas' routine won first place, and members were given \$100 to donate to an organization of their choice.
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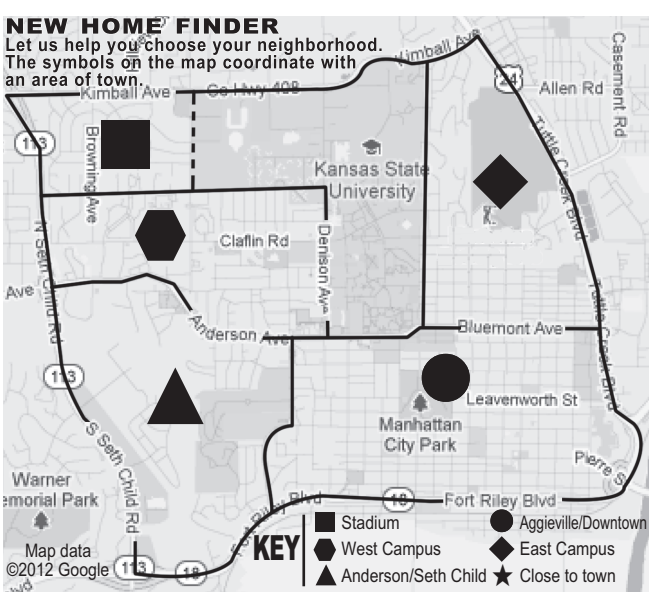
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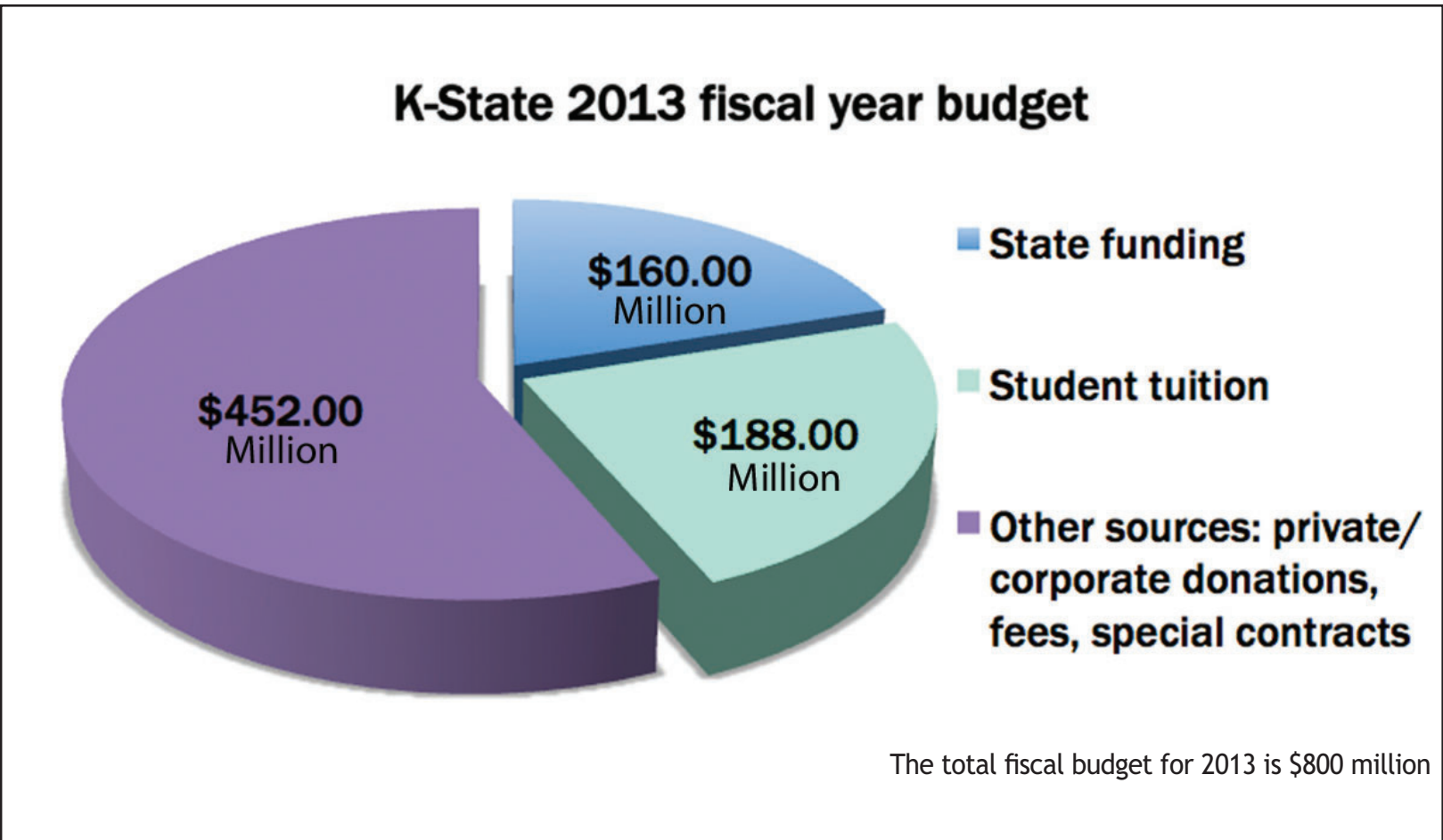
\$188 million is generated through student tuition and \$452 million is generated through other sources such as private and corporate donations, fees and special contracts.

According to Peterson, K-State has traditionally followed a “stable funding” budgetary policy, stating that was the best method to forecast financial conditions of the university going forward.

“Generally speaking, K-State has kept levels of state funding pretty even over the years,” she said. “It helps us gauge where we are and gauge what direction we want to go in, and how much money we have to work with. Tuition rates are planned around that budget, so the more certain we are about our funding sources, the more we can cut out uncertainty about tuition changes.”

With recent projects such as renovations and expansions to the Chester E. Peters Recreation Complex and plans for new dormitories and additional buildings, the news of the funding cuts may put a damper on ambitions to provide what student body president Nate Spriggs called a “facelift” to the university.

“The cuts are still in the preliminary budgetary process, so I don’t think we’ll see these in effect for a while,” Spriggs said. “That’s not to say that it won’t have an effect on the university down the road, but we can’t let that get in the way of doing what’s best for the future. We have to make



sure we’re smart about the way we spend, but there is a lot of potential with some of the initiatives that we have going on.”

Peterson said that university leadership partners with student committees and various other groups to determine the university’s priorities, which in turn determines funding allocations and methods that the university will use to secure funds.

She gave the example that architecture is a priority for K-State this year, which is why there has been a focus on expanding and renovating buildings on campus.

“At the end of the day, we have to decide what’s most important,” Downing said. “We have to cut what we as a group decide is icing on the cake and keep only what is necessary and focus on maintaining that.”

The root of the problem could be solved by a shift in culture, Downing said. He explained that living and spending within budgetary limits is an ideal that Americans have long struggled with and said this is part of the reason that the financial condition of the country is what it is today.

“As Americans we tend to want to spend without thinking of whether we can afford to,” Downing said. “For example, America is falling behind in education, but pumping money into education hasn’t necessarily raised the quality. Instead of focusing on throwing dollars at the problem, it would be more productive to focus on smart spending. Control costs and spend wisely, because at the end of the day, no matter what anyone else tells you, you can’t spend what you don’t have.”

BUDGET | Representative says cuts due to governor’s tax bill, not economy

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affordability for our students,” Spriggs said. “Affordability is as equally important as growing the school because we do not want to be in the situation where we are a top school in the nation but then no one can afford to come here.”

Spriggs said that regardless of what the House and Senate decide, the governor still makes the final decision. He also mentioned that threats to reduce funding to higher education come around every year and that this isn’t what he is worried about. Spriggs added that the proposal coming from the House that he finds most worrisome is a salary and wage cap.

“There is a series of reductions that they’re proposing that make it very difficult for us to be competitive in terms

of hiring people from outside of the state to come in and be researchers and educators at our university,” Spriggs said.

This will pose a challenge to universities in the state of Kansas to be competitive with universities throughout the country.

“I think it would put us in a position that would be pretty damaging to our schools,” Spriggs said.

Spriggs said, in his opinion, if the cuts do take place K-State should focus on using the increase in tuition to make up for the reduction in funding instead of spiking tuition to pay for other projects along with the budget difference.

For example, if there is a cut, the increase in tuition should go toward balancing the budget instead of other proposals such as an increase in teachers’ salaries, he said.

He went on to say that K-State ranks near the bottom in the Big 12 Conference for teacher salaries, and if K-State does face a hefty reduction from

He went on to say that unless it is a very large cut, the president has expressed that they would like to keep tuition near or under the in-

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Nate Spriggs
student body president, senior in agricultural economics

crease percentage it has been at over the past few years, which he said was around 5 percent.

Carlin insisted that the cuts are not due to the state of the economy.

“It is not the economy,” Carlin said. “It’s the tax bill.”

Carlin said the reason institutions of higher educa-

tion are seeing a reduction in state funding is because of Gov. Sam Brownback’s tax bill to lower income taxes. State income taxes were reduced in order to help stimulate the economy. Carlin added that the economy is in good shape and the state should not be taking away from higher education.

Carlin added that as long as the tax bill is still alive and people are not paying the income tax that they used to, things will not get better for higher education.

K-State is the only university in the state, according to Spriggs, whose tuition proposal committee is composed of only students who have voting rights. Non-students serve on the committee but do not have voting rights.

The committee hosts open meetings every Thursday in the Big 12 Room in the Union. Spriggs said that students are welcome to attend and sit in on the meetings and express their concerns.

According to Spriggs, the cuts will not affect the K-State Student Union project. He said that the Union is strictly paid for by the students, and they now have a choice of either paying a slight increase for a new Union that can be much more profitable and enjoyable for students, or to keep paying for a Union that is currently operating at a loss.

“It really is the only building on campus that students own outright,” Spriggs said. “We own its debt. If it operates in the red we own that. If it has any infrastructure needs those are our responsibilities, the state doesn’t appropriate money for those.”

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